IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 7, 27 and 28 and cancel claims 3-4, 6, 9-10 and 12 as indicated:

1. (currently amended) A method for detecting copyright violation, said method comprising: receiving a selectable data stream of suspected copyright infringing material;

using a linear shift generator to generate a first electronic signature for said data stream of said suspected copyright infringing material;

using a linear shift generator to generate a second electronic signature for an original copyright material; [[and]]

comparing said first electronic signature with said second electronic signature, wherein a match of said first electronic signature with said second electronic signature indicates a likelihood that said suspected copyright infringing material and said original copyright material are the same[[.]];

parsing said data stream of suspected copyright infringing material into suspected copyright infringing material data segments:

generating a suspected copyright infringing material data segment electronic signature for each said suspected copyright infringing material data segment;

parsing said original copyright material into original copyright material data segments; generating an original copyright material data segment electronic signature for each said original copyright material data segment;

determining that at least one of said suspected copyright infringing material data segment electronic signatures matches at least one of said original copyright material data segment electronic signatures; and

visually examining said suspected copyright infringing material data segment having said suspected copyright infringing material data segment electronic signature matching said original copyright material data segment electronic signature.

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- 2. (previously presented) The method of Claim 1, further comprising: receiving said data stream of suspected copyright infringing material from the Internet.
- 3-4. (cancelled)
- (previously presented) The method of Claim 1, further comprising:

determining that said first electronic signature and said second electronic signature are a match: and

visually examining said suspected copyright infringing material having said first electronic signature matching said second electronic signature of said original copyright data material.

- 6. (cancelled)
- 7. (currently amended) A system for detecting copyright violation, said system comprising: receiving means for receiving a selectable data stream of suspected copyright inflinging material;
- a linear shift register for generating a first electronic of said suspected material and a second electronic signature of an original copyright material; [[and]]

comparator means for comparing said first electronic signature with said second electronic signature, wherein a match of said first electronic signature with said second electronic signature indicates a likelihood that said suspected copyright infringing material and said original copyright material are the same[[.]];

parsing means for parsing said data stream of suspected copyright infringing material into suspected copyright infringing material data segments;

means for generating a suspected copyright infringing material data segment electronic signature for each said suspected copyright infringing material data segment;

parsing means for parsing said original copyright material into original copyright material data segments;

means for generating an original copyright material data segment electronic signature for -3-AUS990891US1 - Amendment B

each said original copyright material data segment;

means for determining that at least one of said suspected copyright infringing material data segment electronic signatures matches at least one of said original copyright material data segment electronic signatures; and

means for visually examining said suspected copyright infringing material data segment having said suspected copyright infringing material data segment electronic signature matching said original copyright material data segment electronic signature.

8. (previously presented) The system of Claim 7, further comprising:

means for receiving said data stream of suspected copyright infringing material from the Internet.

9-10. (cancelled)

11. (previously presented) The system of Claim 7, further comprising:

means for determining that said first electronic signature and said second electronic signature are a match; and

means for visually displaying said suspected copyright infringing material having said first electronic signature matching said second electronic signature of said original copyright material.

12-26 (Cancelled)

- 27. (currently amended) The method of claim [[5]] 1, wherein said visual examination is performed upon said matches of said signatures exceeding a predetermined number of occurrences.
- 28. (currently amended) The system of claim [[12]] 7, wherein said visual examination is performed upon said matches of said signatures exceeding a predetermined number of occurrences.

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